AGENDA
Tuesday, April 22, 2008

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Community Redevelopment Agency
Housing Authority
Joint Powers Financing Authority
Surplus Property Authority
Local Reuse Authority
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SPEAKERS ARE REQUESTED TO OCCUPY THE RESERVED SEATS IN THE FRONT ROW BEHIND THE SPEAKER’S PODIUM AS THEIR NAME IS ANNOUNCED BY THE CITY CLERK.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Consent Calendar items are considered routine and will be enacted, approved or adopted by one motion unless a request for removal for discussion or explanation is received from the audience or the City Council. A member of the audience requesting to remove an item from the Consent Calendar must complete and file a speaker’s card with the City Clerk prior to the City Council’s consideration of Item C, Agenda Review. An item removed from the Consent Calendar may be placed anywhere on the agenda following the City Council’s agenda review.

The City Council’s adopted Rules of Procedure recognize that debate on policy is healthy; debate on personalities is not. The Chairperson has the right and obligation to cut off discussion that is too personal, too loud, or too crude.

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Evening Open Session
5:30 p.m.

A. ROLL CALL

B. PUBLIC COMMENT

C. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session
Shimada Room of City Hall

A. CITY COUNCIL

A-1. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Government Code Section 54957.6):

   City Designated Representative(s): Bill Lindsay, Leslie Knight, Lisa Stephenson,
   Bruce Soublet, and Chris Magnus
   Counsel: Jack Hughes, Liebert Cassidy Whitmore
   Employee Organization or unrepresented employee(s): Richmond Police Officers' Association (RPOA), and Richmond Police Management Association (RPMA)

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Special Joint Meeting of the Richmond Community Redevelopment Agency/City Council
6:30 p.m.

A. ROLL CALL

B. STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

C. OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

D. PUBLIC HEARINGS

   D-1. (a) Continue deliberation regarding (a) the proposed 2008-2009 Annual Consolidated Action Plan, (b) Adopt a City Council Resolution (Attachment A) approving the 2008-2009 Annual Consolidated Action Plan and authorizing the submittal of the 2008-2009 Annual Consolidated Plan to HUD, and (c) Adopt a Richmond Community Redevelopment Agency Resolution (Attachment B) for the administration of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home Investment Partnership (HOME) Programs and authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and execute all contracts with vendors and professional services consultants as detailed in this Agenda Report - Richmond Community Redevelopment Agency (Steve Duran/Patrick Lynch 307-8140).

E. CONSENT CALENDAR

   E-1. APPROVE - minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 1, 2008 - City Clerk's Office (Diane Holmes 620-6513).

F. ADJOURNMENT

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CITY COUNCIL
7:00 p.m.

A. ROLL CALL

B. STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

C. AGENDA REVIEW

D. PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND COMMENDATIONS

D-1. Presentation of a Certificate of Recognition in honor of the 92nd birthday of Mother Novelean Harris - (Councilmember Bates 620-6581).

D-2. Presentation of Kennedy High School students Rayshana Brown and Esther Taufa and Richmond High School students Jaimee Dickerson and Marvin Salazar and their award-winning two-minute video on global warming, which led to Marvin Salazar being named a California Climate Champion and one of three students to represent the United States at global warming conferences in London, United Kingdom on March 24-30, 2008, and Kobe, Japan on May 18-25, 2008 - (Mayor McLaughlin 620-6503).

D-3. Status report on Doctors Medical Center, San Pablo from Supervisor John Gioia, Contra Costa County - (Councilmember Lopez 778-8462).

D-4. Receive a report from Dan Boatwright, Sacramento Advocates, on the status of the State Budget and its potential impact on the City of Richmond - (Councilmember Bates 620-6581).

D-5. Receive a presentation from Nancy Baer, Manager of the Injury Prevention Promotions Project, Contra Costa County entitled "Richmond Pedestrian Project--Results and Recognition" - City Manager's Office (Bill Lindsay 620-6512).

D-6. Proclamation recognizing May 2008 as Older Americans Month - (Mayor McLaughlin 620-6503).

D-7. Proclamation recognizing May 2008 as National Historic Preservation Month - (Mayor McLaughlin 620-6503).
E. REPORT FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY OF FINAL DECISIONS MADE AND NON-CONFIDENTIAL DISCUSSIONS HELD DURING CLOSED SESSION

F. CONSENT CALENDAR

   F-1. APPROVE - as an additional recommendation to the East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD) the completion of 3 Bay Trail segments as proposed by the Trails for Richmond Action Committee (TRAC) for inclusion in the proposed Measure AA Bond Extension for the November 2008 ballot - (Mayor McLaughlin 620-6503).

   F-2. APPROVE - the second eCivis Incorporated contract amendment for a city-wide grant locator database and support to City departments in applying for grants in the amount of $29,500, at a total cost not to exceed $96,575 - City Manager's Office (Bill Lindsay 620-6512).

G. PUBLIC HEARINGS

H. OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

I. STUDY AND DIRECTION TO STAFF SESSION

   The purpose of the study session is as follows:

   I-1. Hear report from staff and give staff direction on a strategy for mitigating blight resulting from buildings left vacant by foreclosure - (Councilmember Butt 236-7435).

   I-2. Discuss and direct staff to confer with the City of Richmond's current West Contra Costa Integrated Waste Management Authority Directors (Chair Marquez, Bates and Lopez) to establish Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) projects as a priority and to implement a solution within six months - (Councilmember Butt 236-7435).

J. AGREEMENTS
K. RESOLUTIONS

K-1. ADOPT A RESOLUTION - to support the Campaign for Quality Education's May 15 student mobilization against the California budget cuts to education and for a long-term plan to fully fund education - (Mayor McLaughlin and Vice-Mayor Marquez 620-6503/620-6581).

K-2. ADOPT A RESOLUTION - certifying the Draft and Final Environmental Impact Report for the proposed re-designation of certain areas of the City of Richmond as a California Enterprise Zone - Planning Department (Richard Mitchell 620-6706).

L. ORDINANCES

M. COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

M-1. Consider appropriating additional funds for the 2008 Cinco de Mayo Festival in the amount of $58,616 for a total City contribution of $78,616 - (Vice-Mayor Marquez 620-6581).

N. ADJOURNMENT

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